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SUBJECT: MORNING SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT REPORTS

1. MARCOS HAS HIS CAKE AND EATS IT TOO

EMBASSY MANILA REPORTS THAT THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PHILIPPINE/  
VIETNAMESE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WAS ANNOUNCED IN A JOINT  
COMMUNIQUE JULY 12. THE GOP ACCEPTED HANOI'S "FOUR PRINCIPLES"  
FOR GOOD RELATIONS WITH SOUTHEAST ASIA, INCLUDING  
A MUTUAL PLEDGE "NOT TO ALLOW ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY TO USE  
ONE'S TERRITORY AS A BASE FOR DIRECT OR INDIRECT AGGRESSION  
AGAINST THE OTHER COUNTRY OR COUNTRIES IN THE REGION." NO  
DATE WAS SET FOR AN EXCHANGE OF AMBASSADORS.

EMBASSY COMMENT: ON THE FACE OF IT, THE VAGUE LANGUAGE BARRING  
AGGRESSION PRESENTS NO PROBLEMS FOR US BASES IN THE  
PHILIPPINES. ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WITH VIETNAM IS  
THE LATEST TRIUMPH OF MARCOS' THIRD-WORLD DIPLOMACY AND  
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APPEARS TO FIT THE GOP STRATEGY OF ACQUIRING NEW FRIENDS

WITHOUT DROPPING OLD ONES. (CONFIDENTIAL) MANILA 10211,  
7/13.)

## 2. ETHIOPIA: RADICALS TAKE THE OFFENSIVE AFTER ALLEGED COUP ATTEMPT

THE ETHIOPIAN GOVERNMENT'S MOTIVES IN EXECUTING 19 ALLEGED  
COUP PLOTTERS AND "COUNTERREVOLUTIONARIES" REMAIN UNCLEAR.  
IN EMBASSY ADDIS ABABA'S PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT:

--THE COHESION OF THE DIRG'S CORE GROUP HAS BEEN  
BREACHED FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE THE REVOLUTION BEGAN.

--THOSE SHOT INCLUDE GENERAL GETACHEW AND MAJOR SISAY--  
PROMINENT FIGURES WHO HAD BEEN WORKING FOR BALANCE AND  
MODERATION WITHIN THE DIRG AND FOR AN EARLY POLITICAL  
SETTLEMENT TO THE ERITREAN PROBLEM.

--THE EXECUTIONS MARK THE FURTHER ASCENDANCY OF FIRST  
VICE CHAIRMAN MENGISTU AND HIS RADICAL FACTION AND THE  
CONTINUED DECLINE OF COLLEGIAL DECISION-MAKING IN THE  
PMAC.

--IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHETHER MENGISTU HAS CORRECTLY  
CALCULATED HIS SUPPORT IN THE ARMED FORCES, ESPECIALLY  
AMONG THE WAR-WEARY TROOPS IN THE NORTH. (CONFIDEN-  
TIAL) ADDIS ABABA 8331 AND (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE) ADDIS  
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## 3. ITALIAN SOCIALISTS IN DISARRAY

EMBASSY ROME REPORTS THAT THE PSI CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING  
WAS CONVULSED JULY 13 BY THE RESIGNATIONS OF SECRETARY  
DEMARTINO AND THE PARTY'S 30-MEMBER DIRECTORATE. THIS DE-  
VELOPMENT FOLLOWS:

--DEMARTINO'S OPENING ADDRESS IN WHICH HE REJECTED  
THE "ALTERNATIVE OF THE LEFT" AND RECOMMENDED THAT  
THE PSI, IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ENTIRE LEFT, REACH  
A TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION WITH THE DC; AND  
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--A DEBATE MARKED BY SEVERE CRITICISM OF THE PARTY'S  
LEADERSHIP AND DEMANDS FOR REAL RENEWAL.

EMBASSY COMMENT: THE PARTY'S LEFT WING, WHICH HAS ALWAYS  
ADVOCATED IMMEDIATE PURSUIT OF THE "ALTERNATIVE OF THE  
LEFT," SCORED AT LEAST A TACTICAL VICTORY. THOUGH IT IS  
QUITE POSSIBLE THAT DEMARTINO WILL BE RE-ELECTED SECRETARY

BY A NEW DIRECTORATE, THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE MEETING IS  
LIKELY TO END WITH A NET SHIFT TO THE LEFT. (LIMITED  
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